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BASIC ISSUES OF DEFENSE PLANNING

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1. CONCUR IN SENDING BG BOWMAN TO MOD BONN ON FEBRUARY
14 TO DISCUSS ANTI-ARMOR PRESENTATIONS FOR THE EWG.

2. RECOMMEND BG BOWMAN DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING TENTATIVE
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OUTLINE WITH UK AND FRG REPRESENTATIVES AS A POSSIBLE

PRESENTATION FORMAT:

I. INTRODUCTION

A. OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

B. INTRODUCTION OF TEAM

C. DESCRIPTION OF THE ARMOR BATTLE ILLUSTRATING
THE INTERACTION OF ALL FORCES INVOLVED

D. THE FOCUS ON THE US MECH INFANTRY BATTALION
AS AN ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE OF US ANTIARMOR
WEAPONS MIX

II. THE US MECH INFANTRY BATTALION

A. ANTIARMOR WEAPONS

B. RATIONALE FOR THIS MIX

C. METHODOLOGY USED TO DETERMINE THIS MIX

III. US AIR FORCE ANTI-TANK WEAPONS

A. CAPABILITIES/FIELD TEST AND COMBAT
EXPERIENCE WILL BE EMPHASIZED

B. USAF ANTIARMOR STUDIES

C. DOST EFFECTIVENESS

D. ADAPTABILITY TO VARIOUS WEAPON PLATFORMS

IV. US ARMY ANTI-TANK WEAPONS

A. CAPABILITIES/FIELD TEST AND COMBAT
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C. COST EFFECTIVENESS

D. ADAPTABILITY TO VARIOUS WEAPON PLATFORMS

V. LESSONS LEARNED ABOUT ARMOR WARFARE IN THE
OCTOBER MIDDLE EAST WAR

VI. CLOSING REMARKS

A. SUMMARY

B. OFFER OF ASSISTANCE AND PRESENTATION OF
FURTHER DETAILS TO EWG STAFFS BY TEAM

3. AFTER THE FEBRUARY 14 MEETING IN BONN, WE WOULD LIKE
YOUR VIEWS ON THE DESIRABILITY OF FURTHER MEETINGS PRIOR
TO EWG SESSION. IF A MEETING IS DESIRED, WE WOULD PREFER
TO HOLD IT IN WASHINGTON WHERE WE COULD LET UK AND FRG
REPRESENTATIVES EXAMINE A VARIETY OF MODELS AND METHODS
OF PRESENTATION.

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